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WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., NOVEMBER 27, 1909.

THE Washington diplomatic circle is to lose neither Ambassador James Bryce from Great Britain nor Count von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador to the United States. The rumors that these two distinguished diplomats were to be removed from Washington are utterly without foundation and the announcement that they are to remain in their present positions is a source of gratification to their friends in official life. Reports were in circulation that Ambassador Bryce was to be recalled and that his successor was to be Sir Maurice De Bunsen, British Ambassador to Spain. These reports are not credited at the State Department. Rumor also had it that Count von Bernstorff was to be made German Ambassador to London in order that he might further the efforts made by his predecessors to bring about entirely friendly relations between Germany and England. It is true that Emperor William regards the work done by Count von Bernstorff in America as highly satisfactory, but the State Department is confident that he will be left here to carry on that work.

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Every bushel of wheat, practically every interstate railroad and every grain shipper in the middle west is affected by an order just issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission postponing the effective date of the Commission's order in what are known as the Peavey elevator cases. Several dates were fixed by the Commission for it order to become effective but for various reasons it has been postponed until April 1st, 1910, in order that the Eighth Circuit Court might have opportunity to hear the cases. The suit was instituted to rescind the order of the Commission prohibiting payments for elevation of wheat under the Peavey contract with certain railroads. The Commission joins with the grain shippers in a desire to obtain a judicial opinion of the question underlying the Commission's original order. The effect of the order was to prevent the railroads from paying 1½ cents a hundred pounds for the elevation of wheat to any person or corporation engaged in the buying, selling or shipment of grain. This order interfered seriously with contracts that Peavey and Company had with western railroads at Minneapolis, St. Paul, Omaha and other cities in the middle west. It is expected that a judicial determination of the cases may be reached by April 1st.

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Secretary Knox is determined to proceed with caution and with due regard for justice in his treatment of President Zelaya of Nicaragua. He is restraining the more impetuous of his assistants from rushing an attack on the Nicaraguan president by insisting that the full facts as to the execution of the two Americans be ascertained before definite action is taken. One point remains to be determined. If the two Americans were members of the revolutionary army and were acting under the orders of their superiors when they planted the mines in the San Juan river, Zelaya is guilty of a serious breach of international law and the rules which govern military warfare. If on the other hand, the two Americans were acting on their own responsibility, as individuals, Zelaya is thought to have been justified in ordering their summary execution. One of the most eminent authorities on international law in the Army explained the attitude of the State Department to-day. "The international laws of neutrality," he said, "are framed to prevent filibustering. If men in filibustering expeditions are captured they should be returned to their own governments for trial. The United States is not always able to prevent some of its citizens from joining the military forces of another country, whether these forces be governmental or revolutionary. If the two men, as appears in this case, allied themselves with either a regular or a revolutionary army, and were acting under the direction of their superior officers they could be taken prisoners and tried by a military court. But no court acting within the lines of the Hague agreement could sentence a man, native or foreign, to death unless he was proved to be a spy or was acting independently of any military organization.

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The regulations for the collection of the one per cent. special excise tax of the Payne tariff law, commonly known as the "corporation tax" have been approved by President Taft. Secretary Mac Beagh devoted painstaking study to the formulation of these regulations and he believes that when the regulations are made public much of the criticism which has been directed against the tax because of the difficulty of collecting it will be disarmed. He expects that it will increase the revenues to the extent of $27,000,000 a year. One hundred and twenty-two thousand corporations will be required to make returns. One of the interesting questions which confronted the Secretary of the Treasury was whether the law applied to the Phillipines and Porto Rico. The law say that it shall apply to corporations organized under the laws of the United States, or of any state or territory, or under the acts of Congress applicable to Alaska and the District of Columbia. There is a further provision that foreign corporations doing business in the United States shall be taxed on their business in this country. The Treasury Department will hold that corporations organized in the Phillipines or Porto Rico which are not engaged in business in this country are not subject to the tax.

USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

Clean cork bicycle handles with a rag dipped in methylated spirit. Rub well, and the cork will soon be as clean as ever.

When beating whites of eggs, add a little salt. The effect of the salt is to lower the temperature and make the egg froth more easily.

To keep outdoor brass bright, clean the brass as usual, then rub it carefully with a little vaseline on a cloth, and afterwards with a clean cloth. This plan is efficacious in the dampest weather, and it gives very little extra trouble.

To clean white marble, take a handful of soda, a tablespoonful of soft soap, and a gill of water. Boil these ingredients together till melted, then mix in whiting to form a paste. Lay this paste on the marble over-night, and in the morning wash it off with clean water.

When cleaning silver, mix the plate powder with methylated spirit instead of water. Thus a good polish is more quickly attained, and it lasts longer.

When putting up pictures one sometimes finds the wall is so crumbling that it won't hold the nails. In that case scoop a little hole in the wall with a screwdriver, fill it with plaster of Paris moistened with water, and then insert your nail. The plaster of Paris will harden in a minute or two, and then the nail will be quite firm. Only mix just as much plaster of Paris as you are ready to use, for it hardens so quickly that it would soon be unworkable.

To make photographer's paste, wet a cupful of good flour with cold water until you can stir it easily. Have on in a saucepan one pint of boiling water and add the flour paste, spoonful by spoonful, to it, stirring all the time. Should it thicken too much, add more boiling water. Cook for ten minutes. Take it off the fire and beat in a teaspoonful of carbolic acid. When cold put into a wide-mouthed bottle, through the cork of which a paste brush is thrust.

When putting on a sweater the first time, button it in front, pull the outer edges of the shoulders up and out to settle it over the figure Pull it forward at either side of the bust, and pull the bottom well down all around the hips. This should be repeated the first two or three times the sweater is donned, and the garment will preeently shape itself gracefully to the figure as though made for it. Wash a white wool sweater in warm, soapy water, after soaking in cold water. Rinse by pressing up and down in a shallow bowl of clear water. Do not wring, but squeeze dry, and then spread the sweater on a clean sheet in the sun to dry. A knitted garment should not be allowed to hang even from the hands a moment while wet or the shape will be spoiled.

Old hot-water bags or other rubber objects may be utilized for mats to place under house plants. Cut into circular pieces and put under the earthenware saucer, which is likely to be moist when the plant is watered.

If the half of a bottle of olives has been used, and you wish to keep the remaining ones, add a pinch of salt to the brine, pour a teaspoonful of olive oil on the liquid and replace the cork in the bottle. They can be kept in water and olive oil, if the brine be poured off.

The handles of knives should never be immersed in water, or after a time they will become discolored and loose.

Wool ceiling cleaners are large woolen mops, which are also excellent for cleaning the walls. They are not as cheap as cotton ones, but they will last for years, will stand washing every time they are used and will resume their fluffy appearance. Many use them as floor mops.

The cushioned back of a Morris chair has been found valuable in the sickroom to place back of the invalid in bed.

Save one or two turkey wings. They are the best brushes in the world to use around a stove and they are splendid for sweeping closet shelves. Weight the wing tip with an iron until it dries.

If you object to regular water-proof soles as too heavy, try the effect of mixing two parts of tallow to one part of resin. This is melted together and the soles of shoes are painted with it to keep out the dampness.

If you would have good teeth, do not be spasmodic in their care. Remember a little cleaning every day is better than scrubbing to the gum bleeding point when you happen to think of it. Never experiment with tooth powders or whitening lotions. Your enamel may be ruined before you learn they are not what they are advertised. Get a reliable make and stick to it. Clean the teeth after each meal, if possible; before going to bed without fail. Learn the value of an alkali wash at bedtime. It counteracts acid and lengthens life of teeth. Milk of magnesia, lime water or plain baking soda in water are all good.

Use both a powder and a liquid wash, and have several tooth brushes in service at once so the other can be well aired and sunned on alternate days. Do not bite threads. It is bad for the work, worse for the teeth and has been known to give serious stomach trouble. Do not try to make a nut cracker or a cork puller of your teeth. Chips are unsightly and costly to repair. Avoid the close alternation of very hot and very cold food. This is as bad for the teeth as it is for the stomach and shows more when the piper must be paid. Learn the use of dental floss—in private; also of frequent visits to the dentist whether anything is wrong or not.

Remember that tartar is not only a sign of carelessness and is a breeder of decay, but frequently is a symptom of serious physical disorders which need looking after. Do not forget that only freaks grow more than two sets of teeth. For the first set your parents are responsible, but for the last one you alone are to blame if they do not do you good service to the end of your natural life.

FARM NEWS AND VIEWS

The greatest corn-growing states are the greatest hog-growing states.

The big prices for hogs makes many a breeder sorry that he sold off his brood sows.

The man that can grow alfalfa has a big lift in the hog business. The value of alfalfa is not half appreciated.

Keep the pigs growing but don't stuff with corn. A little grain and good pasture is what puts the stretch in their bodies.

It is the man who keeps his farm tools shining that has shining dollars in his pocket.

Put away bits of hardwood for use in putting in handles and parts to tools that get broken, as will always happen sooner or later with us all.

Make it a point to have all bolts snug and tight when you go out with any farm tool to work.

Next to a good wife is a good horse. You can't have one, though, unless you are a good man.

The heaviest load any man ever carried was the mortgage on his farm. Clear it up. It will break you down quicker than any other one thing in all the world.

It never hurts a man to work, but when he hitches work up with worry, something is apt to get smashed in the runaway that is sure to follow.

Turn doubt of your own ability out of doors before night. He is the worst guest you ever had in the house.

Make it a rule to go out and look at the stock and buildings every night before bedtime. You may save a farm tragedy by doing just such a simple thing as that.

More strength has been wasted in chopping with a dull axe and working with other dull tools than would run all the farms in this country. Do you know what the grindstone was made for?

Carry your head like a king when you go to town. Don't go around looking as if you had lost the last friend you have in the world. No man on earth has a right to more friends than a good farmer.

Don't follow the advice of the man who says, "Buy all the stuff you want at my store; I'll trust you." Pay as you go. That's the advice of every sensible man. Stick to that and you will be happy and comfortably well off before you die.

Have you fixed up the chicken house for winter? Buildings of this character are usually much neglected during the busy days of crop growing, and are in no condition to furnish proper shelter for the chickens when cold weather comes on.

The demand for draft horses was never so great as it is to-day. Draft horses of good breeding, which means improved size, bone, action and quality, are selling for unheard of prices. In fact, the owner of a prime draft team well matched in size and color, can get his own price. The supply of such horses is nowhere equal to the demand. No special skill is required to train and fit a draft horse for market, as is required with driving and race horses. Draft horses are much more easily produced by the average farmer than trotting, pacing or running stock, in which the individual fancy of the buyer and the expert training are such important factors in making a sale. Practical usefulness is what is considered in judging a draft horse.

Get the kindlings for the morning fire in at night. You can't be sure that you will not want some before morning. Have them handy.

Agriculture is not the whole of country life. The great rural interests are human interests and good crops are of little value to the farmer unless they open the door to a good kind of life on the farm.

It is almost as bad to use poor paint on a building as it is to leave a building unpainted.

Do all the swearing on your farm yourself; and let me tell you the less of that done the better.

Baled hay has a value above that of loose hay on any market. There's a reason. It occupies less space—and space in the barn of the city man is scarce. It is easier handled all the way from producer to consumer. As the package helps sell the fruit so the bale helps sell the hay.

There is too much belief among our people that the prizes of life lie away from the farm. The question of securing better business and better living on the farm, whether by co-operation between farmers for buying, selling and borrowing; by promoting social advantages and opportunities in the country; or by any other legitimate means that will help to make country life more gainful, more attractive, and fuller of opportunities, pleasures, and rewards for the men, women and children of the farms, should be brought more and more before the people of the United States.

Keep a watchful eye on the seed corn and provide plenty of ventilation in the room where it is stored.

As the cold weather comes on and you find the stables are not warm enough try putting on building paper. It is cheap and if liberally used fills the bill.

Have a place for the hand tools. The saw, axe, hammer, screw driver, wrench, etc., should be well kept to give best service. "A place for everything and everything in its place" that is the motto to tie to.

Around this time the farmer with a stumpy field can put in some mighty profitable days pulling out the stumps. There are such efficient and inexpensive devices for clearing fields now that there is no excuse for suffering the loss that a stumpy field represents.

In order to move the large supply of Feed we now have on hand, we are making the following prices:

Bran - -	$27 00
Badger Dairy Feed -	27 00
Sugarola Dairy Feed -	[illegible]
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22 DEAD AFTER FOOTBALL GAMES

List of Gridiron Fatalities for Year Equals Record of 1905

Save for scattered games, the football season of 1909 is ended. It has been a most disastrous one for the players, the number of deaths running higher than usual.

Twenty-two youths were killed during games or died later as a result of injuries received during play. Thirteen young men were seriously hurt, several being crippled for life. As for minor injuries, and these include everything from the breaking of a leg down to twisted ligaments, more than 200 persons suffered.

In comparison with other years, the list of fatalities for 1909 equals the record of 1905 when twenty-two persons were killed. Last year only eleven were killed, and the year before the mortality list reached fifteen.

Other lists published this season place the number of dead as high as thirty, but these contain the names of men who died during the early part of the year, from hurts received during previous seasons. Names are also given of men who, while seriously injured, have not died and of men who died from other causes, Harry Huston, of Crawfordsville, Ind., for instance, died of heart disease due to overexertion during a game, and not to any injury due to roughness of the game.

One of the players most seriously injured is Midshipman Earl D. Wilson, of the Naval Academy. His spinal column is fractured and he is hopelessly paralyzed. About the same time that he was hurt, Cadet Eugene A. Byrne, of West Point, was killed in a game. This fatal accident led to the cancellation of the Army-Navy game, which was to have been played in Philadelphia.

The list of deaths and seriously hurt contains a large number of injuries to the skull and vertebrae, "Neck broken," "back broken," "fractured skull" occur with startling frequency.

A compilation of the minor injuries has been made, and while it is not absolutely accurate because it is incomplete, still it shows the range of hurts that come to players. It shows:

Broken legs, 15; broken arms, 9; broken jaws, 3; broken collarbones, 12; fractured skulls, 4; concussion of brain, 19; internal injuries, 25; fractured ribs, 19; fractured shoulders, 13; paralysis, 2.

About one-third of the killed and injured were college men, the others being high school boys and members of athletic associations.

The extremely large number of deaths has called forth a wide discussion as to the merits of the game and the advisability of making further changes in the rules so as to reduce the chances of fatalities to a minimum.

Among the victims are Clarence Pierce, of Wilmington, who died of injuries in his stomach sustained through other players falling on him in a scrimmage.

THE WAY TO HELP YOUR TOWN

Have a word for the business men. Don't be kicking them all the time.

Encourage manufacturers to come here whenever it is possible for you to put in a word to that effect. We have plenty of people who are willing to work for a reasonable price.

Make it a pleasant place of abode by being pleasant to everyone you meet. Don't be so stuck up that you don't know your fellow townsmen. You may have a little more money and your opportunities may be greater, but you have no guarantee that you will not be the under dog before you shuffle off this mortal coil.

Buy everything you can of our merchants. By helping them you advance the business interests of the community. When you send your money to Chicago catalogue houses you are not doing the fair thing by the home merchant who is always ready to buy the products of your farm, field or garden.

Remember that Middletown is a beautiful town, a healthy town, and don't forget to tell others about it.

Whenever you have a job of work to be done don't send it to the city if you can get a home mechanic to do it. If you have a job of printing you want done, remember that we spend hundreds of dollars in Middletown and that we are entitled to receive that little job of yours rather than some drummer who does nothing but take money away from here.

Let every man be a committee of one to secure for Middletown another industry to employ the people here who have not got steady work. We don't want them to leave here and go to other towns for employment.

Be liberal with the churches, as they are a great benefit to the community.

Sell everything as reasonable as you can to make living profit. Remember that a reputation for high prices will kill any town.

AGAIN TALK OF STATE TROLLEY

Dr. Thomas O. Cooper is one of the incorporators of the Delaware Central Construction Company, chartered at Dover recently, for the purpose, it is reported, of building a trolley road between Delaware City and Dover. It is said that the new company will take over the options on rights of way for such a trolley line which have been held by various owning companies, including the old Peninsula Railway Company and the Smyrna and Delaware Bay Railway Company, which years ago contemplated such a trolley line. The former company built a road from Middletown to Odessa, and the latter company was to build the road from Odessa to Smyrna, Woodland Beach and Dover, but the entire project was never carried out. The Middletown-Odessa line proved a failure.

Although Dr. Cooper refused to admit Monday that the new company intended to carry out the old trolley project, he said the company would announce its intentions in a few days. The Delaware Central Construction Company has a capital of $10,000, and is empowered to construct trolley roads as well as engage in a general construction work.

T. Parke Duncan, of Atlantic City; Benjamin F. Patterson, of Brooklyn, and R. W. Moffitt, of Brooklyn, are interested with Dr. Cooper in the new company.

POULTRY AND PET STOCK SHOW

The Diamond State Poultry and Pet Stock Association is issuing premium lists for the great annual Wilmington Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock Show, in Turn Hall, Wilmington, from the 4th to 8th of January, 1910, and entries for same will close December 25th, 1909.

This Association is organized along broad lines and its purposes are solely to promote the breeding and culture of better poultry and pigeons. It is not in any sense a money-making organization and receives no State, county or city aid or endowment, as so many of our other associations are granted, particularly throughout the West.

It has never carried over any substantial balances from these annual shows, being entirely content to return to exhibitors, in the shape of valuable prizes and specials, all receipts less necessary expenses of conducting same.

Its officers are: L. Scott Townsend, president; John Hartman, first vice-president; Walter Beasten, second vice-president; Charles C. Speakman, treasurer, and William Kirk, secretary, all well known business men of Delaware, and our poultry raisers in this district may rest assured of entirely fair and liberal treatment from all of them. They would do well to enter their best birds and then obtain their share of the valuable prizes offered the winners. Write to William Kirk, Secretary, Wilmington, Del., for premium list.

These shows are a great object lesson and education to all breeders of poultry and pigeons, either fancy or utility, and will repay the general farmer as well as the poultry and pigeon specialist for a visit to them.

The officers and members of the Association extend to the readers of this paper a cordial invitation to send for premium list; enter their birds; to be present during the show; to ask questions of those in charge, and to get better acquainted in every way, and if they can in any way assist you to improve your flock and increase the pleasure and profits to be derived therefrom, it will be their pleasant duty to do so.

MAY PASTE MILLION POSTERS

Billboards Will Be Used to Teach Prevention of Tuberculosis

Preparations have been nearly completed for the beginning of the million dollar poster campaign against tuberculosis which will be carried on jointly by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, the Associated Bill Posters and Distributors of America and the Poster Printers' Association of the United States.

The campaign is an outcome of the last convention of the Bill Posters, at which time a resolution was adopted granting free of charge to the National Association the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis space on all of the billboards controlled by this organization, located in 3,400 towns and villages of the country. The National Association was at once confronted with the difficulty of accepting the generous gift of the Bill Posters, because of the lack of funds to carry out the program proposed. The Poster Printers offered to print all of the posters free of charge, but the problem of paper was such a large one, involving so many thousand dollars that the National Association was obliged to appeal to paper manufacturers in all parts of the United States. As a result of these requests sufficient paper has been received to start printing 15,000 posters. The sketches for the designs have also been solicited from prominent artists in and around New York City.

Through the generosity of these different groupes, the National Association is able to inaugurate one of the largest billposting campaigns ever undertaken by a philantropic organization. If sufficient paper is procured, a million posters will be pasted on billboards in every State in the Union.

The posters will be nine feet long and seven feet wide, and will be printed in several colors. Posters are designed to show graphically how consumption can be cured and prevented. They will be distributed through the local and State anti-tuberculosis associations and through individuals interested in the crusade against this disease in all parts of the United States.

We have in STORAGE several hundred tons of HIGH GRADE LEHIGH and BITUMINOUS COAL. You don't have to place your order before-hand as it is ALWAYS IN STOCK. We have just added to our yard a nice lot of SAWED WOOD. Phone 5. JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

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WORK FOR CONGRESS

Defect in Pure Food Law to be Remedied at Next Session

When Congress meets in December one of the questions to be thrashed out will undoubtedly be the revision of the pure food laws to meet the demands of the general body of consumers for still further improvement in the methods in vogue in many food factories.

One of the points overlooked in the original act was the treatment of peaches and apricots in canning plants. It is the practice of many canneries to immerse peaches in a boiling solution of caustic soda and allow the fruit to stew in this chemical until the skins of the fruit are eaten loose. The fruit is then put though several washings until the skins are washed away. This process is about a cent and a half or two cents a can cheaper than peeling by knife. Those who are calling attention to this chemical treatment say that the use of the lye is not the worst feature of the process, but contend that in order to use this cheap peeling process it is necessary to use green and unripe fruit for canning. Ripe fruit will not stand the lye process but become discolored and disintegrated in the caustic soda. The little flavor which the unripe peaches have is killed by the lye treatment so that the result is a woody, tasteless, canned peach which depends for flavor on the syrup which is added in the canning process.

The way to tell a lye-peeled peach is to wash away the syrup and then taste the fruit. If it is tasteless and pulpy the chances are it is a lye-peeled peach.

In the several washings to which the peach is subjected after it is peeled by lye, most of the chemical is undoubtedly washed away but if any of it is left the consumer gets it with his fruit.

Congress did not mention this subject in the pure food laws, consequently the canners who use this method are not compelled to state the fact on their labels. The present agitation has for its purpose the enactment of a measure to remedy this defect.

If this movement proves successful every canner will have to state on his label if the peaches he used were peeled by caustic soda or any other chemical. That of course will put the question right up to the consumer. If they would as soon eat fruit which had been soaked in lye they can do so. Many of course will prefer to have their fruit handled in the good old fashioned kitchen way, by knife-peeling, which also means much for the quality of canned fruit by keeping intact the original fruit flavor.

The last two years have seen a great advance in the methods used in various canneries and with the new law a still further advance in the direction of wholesome production will be assured. When the processes employed in canneries are known to be perfectly wholesome, there will be a greater use of canned fruits and the final result will be profitable for all concerned, including the farmer who will get a greater market for his product.

FOUND $1,100 IN A TEAPOT

LEWES, Del., Nov. 27—Alleged to have found a teapot with more than $1,100 in it, Richard Derrickson will neither affirm nor deny the report, which is vouched for by several of his friends, including his uncle, Levin Derrickson, who stated yesterday that his nephew Richard had told him of the find.

Derrickson had charge of the tearing down of the old Virden Hotel, which had been standing in Lewes for more than a century. It was while the old barroom was being torn down that he is said to have found an old-fashioned teapot in one corner of a chimney. Derrickson did not open it before the workmen who saw him pick it up, but waited until he reached home before he investigated. It was then, according to the rumor, which he will not deny, that he pulled out between $1,100 and $1,200 in paper money and silver. Derrickson will not admit he found the money, but says he made a lucky stroke when he took the contract to tear down the old building.

Shortly after the find of the teapot, Derrickson made the purchase of a property in town, for which he paid $1,000, a fact that lends credence to the story of the finding of the small fortune.

Just who the money formerly belonged to is not known, but older residents distinctly remember an old man who loafed around the hotel and was supported to have some money, but who was found not to have had any when he died, although on his deathbed he tried to tell some friends of money he had hidden.

It is believed the teapot full of money belonged to this man. He had no known heirs in this section of the State.

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PARCELS POST OBJECT LESSON

Read the story we elsewhere quote of how Dr. Marshall, of Milford, received a 7 lb. package of rugs from Scotland—5000 miles—through *Parcels Post* for 84c which by express would have cost 3 or 4 times as much.

A few days ago one of these companies declared a 300 per cent. dividend out of its enormous surplus profits! How much longer are the people to submit to this highway robbery because hirelings in Congress of these thieving companies, like Cannon and Depew, forbid the extension to the American public of the blessings of cheap postal freight which all Europe and even remote Japan and Australia, now enjoy?

Again, we ask, what do Delaware's Representative and her two Senators say about it?

FERRIS SCHOOL INVESTIGATION

In the name of common humanity and the fair repute of our State, we trust that the horrible instances of cruelty brought out in the evidence before the committee now investigating the school's management, may be if not quite disproven by furthet testimony at least mitigated in some degree. THE TRANSCRIPT awaits the defence yet to be made wishing it may be able to meet these grave accusations against the managers of this well-known charity school.

PARCELS POST

Edtior of Evening Journal.

Parcels Post means that a heavier package can be sent through the mails than is now permitted. That the express companies are certain to oppose any bill that may be introduced into Congress if it provides for Parcels Post—goes,—and it is up to our Congressman and two United States Senators to vote for or against a Parcels Post bill which is almost certain to be introduced at the next session of Congress.

To emphasize the benefits of Parcels Post to the public,—the item in the issue of *THE JOURNAL*, of November 27, explains how Dr. G. W. Marshall received rugs from Scotland where Parcels Post exists. The cost of transportation through the mail to Wilmington a distance of say 5,000 miles was 84 cents. Now compare this with a fifteen pound package ordered from Detroit, Michigan to Farmington, Delaware, a distance of less than 750 miles, the express charge was $1.45, which sum was considered exorbitant. Complaint was made to the Adams Express Company, and their explanation was that two express companies were obliged to handle the package, the Adams having no office in Detroit. The National Express Company brought the package from Detroit to New York, charged 85 cents, and the Adams charged 60 cents to bring the 15 pound package from New York to Farmington,—a distance of about 200 miles. A through rate is advertised by New York and Chicago firms. This rate would have brought that package from Detroit, Michigan, to Farmington, Delaware,—and when this feature was brought to the attention of the Adams Express Company officials at New York—they claimed not to know anything about a through rate. Meanwhile a small package was shipped by express at McAlester, Oklahoma, to Oklahoma City,—prepaid 15 cents, for that package and the Adams had no office in McAlester, and two companies handled that small package at merchandise postal rate of one cent per ounce.

The Detroit firm which shipped the 15-pound package wrote the consignee hoping that the Congressman from Delaware would support a Parcels Post bill.

Very truly,
Dr. J. B. R. Powell.

Farmington, Del., November 29th.

[Communicated]

EDITOR TRANSCRIPT:—

What's the matter with the "Town clock(?)"—do you know? It's running on a schedule of its own without as much attention to the big clock, men commonly call the sun—as would seem to be wise.

It was "fast" in trying to keep up with the age maybe! Well, it needn't "tear it's shirt" to do so, that's not necessary in Middletown. Was fast—now its faster still—thinks, probably, to some unskilful tinkering. Now, I'm no "Yankee clockmaker," but my horological knowledge is sufficient to venture the prediction that if this valuable piece of clock work, be allowed to run wild, unscientifically cared for, with dry pivots, more or less, etc. etc., it will not need quite a lifetime to put it out of commission altogether,—and then the town will be missing what too very many is a highly useful public convenience. Inasmuch as a private citizen has at her own entire cost generously given the public the use of so fine a town clock, it does seem that the town might be at the trifling yearly expense of keeping it oiled, regulated, etc. Not to do so seems a most impolite, not to say "nervy" case of "looking a gift horse in the mouth."

MECHANIC.

Helmets For Georgetown Firemen

GEORGETOWN, Nov. 30th.—Two serious fires in less than a week have shown the people of Georgetown so strongly the need of protection by fire[illegible] public subscription was start[illegible] to provide the company with [illegible] rubber boots.

WARWICK

Miss Willie M. Aiken spent Wednesday in town.

Mrs. S. E. Gunkel visited her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Price, on Sunday.

Mrs. Louisa Crawford visited Mrs. J. R. H. Price a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Manlove were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Vinyard on Sunday.

Miss Ella G. Staats, of Charlestown, spent from Thursday until Sunday at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. U. P. Ginn and sons spent Sunday at the home of her mother, Mrs. V. L. Vinyard.

Mrs. William Vinyard spent several days last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Maxey Bland.

Miss Mamie Merritt spent the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Merritt, Sr.

Miss Stella Bishop, of the "Manor," spent from Friday until Sunday at the home of Mrs. George Boyles, near town.

Mr. Clarence Lipscomb and friend, Miss Blanche Gracen, of Wilmington, spent Thanksgiving at the home of his parents.

Rev. J. A. Arters, of Middletown, will preach in the Warwick M. P. Church (tomorrow) Sunday morning at 10.30 o'clock.

Mrs. S. D. Wilson and sons spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Spear, on the "Manor."

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Merritt and daughter and Miss S. Ethel Vinyard spent several days last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dulaney, in Baltimore.

CECILTON

Master George Hill Padley is ill at his home with pneumonia.

Ashley Taylor, of Baltimore, has been visiting his parents here.

Miss Mollie Richards spent several days last week in Philadelphia.

Mrs. R. M. Black and daughter are guests of relatives in Baltimore.

Miss Martha Vandegrift has been the guest of relatives in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Savin and son, of Townsend, spent Sunday in town.

Mr. John Freeman, of Philadelphia, was the guest of friends in town on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Boyles spent last Friday with Mr. and Mrs. James A. Smith.

Alexander Jackson, of Wilmington, spent a few days last week with friends in town.

Miss Lillie Short and friends, of Philadelphia have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Short.

Mr. William Caulk, of Wyoming, Del., has been visiting his sister, Mrs. E. O. Jones.

William Anderson, of St. John College, Annapolis, spent Thanksgiving with his mother here.

Messrs. Lambert Davis, John H. Black and Harry Lusby spent one day last week in Wilmington.

Clifton Burke, of Philadelphia, spent Thanksgiving days with his parents, Mr. and and Mrs. A. Burke.

Miss Blanche Padley has returned home after spending sometime with relatives and friends in Philadelphia.

CHESAPEAKE CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Clayton spent Thursday in Middletown.

Miss Nannie Wright, of Wilmington, spent the holidays in town.

Miss Edith Caldwell, of Galena, is the guest of Miss Mamie Jefferson.

Mrs. Edward Clark, of Baltimore, is the guest of Miss Carrie Wright.

Miss Julia Woodall, of Georgetown, has been visiting Mrs. J. S. Hopper.

Miss LeLore Lake has been visiting the Misses Bryson, near Middletown.

Mr. William M. Knight was the guest of Mr. J. H. Steele over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Wallis visited friends at Hagerstown several days last week.

Misses Esther and Gladys Banks attended a dance in Port Deposit Saturday evening.

William and Charles Schaefer, of Delaware College, spent several days last week in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh W. Caldwell spent several days last week with his mother at Liberty Grove.

Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Graves and sons, Edwin and Reed, of Marietta, Pa., spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Reed.

Miss Evelyn Graeber and Charles Graeber of Philadelphia, are visiting Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Karsner.

Mrs. Harry W. Kibler entertained the "Five O'clock Club" at her home near town Wednesday evening.

The young folks will give a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Biggs, near Town Point, Saturday evening.

John Hopper, of the University of Pennsylvania, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hopper, over Sunday.

The ladies of the Christian Endeavor Society will hold a poultry supper at Reed's Cornor Store, Friday and Saturday evenings, December 3 and 4

The American Mechanics will attend the M. E. Church in a body Sunday evening, December 5. All members are requested to meet at the lodge room at 7 o'clock.

A very pleasant informal dance was held in Masonic Hall Thursday evening by several of the young men of the town. Robinson's Orchestra, of Wilmington, furnished the music.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Steele, Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Steele and daughter Madeline and J. Groome Steele were entertained at dinner Friday evening by Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Steele.

FARM WANTED!

I desire to buy a farm containing from 140 to 175 acres. Must be in good state of cultivation, well located and have good buildings. Give full particulars, including price, size, location, etc. Will deal with owner—no agents. All correspondence strictly confidential. Address,

W., THE MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT,
Middletown, Del.

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—AT—

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EVERY SATURDAY,
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50 to 100 Horses

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W. H. KLAIR,
303 West Eighth Street,
WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

Administrator's Sale

—OF—

Real Estate

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of the State of Delaware, in and for New Castle County, made on the third day of December, A. D. 1909, will be exposed to sale at Public Vendue,

On Wednesday,
DECEMBER 15th, 1909,
At 2 o'clock, P. M.,

At the Middletown Hotel, in the town of Middletown, County and State aforesaid, the following described Real Estate late of John W. Denny, deceased, to-wit:

No. 1. All that certain farm or plantation with the buildings thereon erected situate in and adjoining the village of Port Penn, in St. Georges Hundred, New Castle County and State of Delaware, lying on the South side of the public road leading from Boyd's Corner to Port Penn, bounded in part by said public road and in part by the public road leading from Port Penn to Augustine Pier, and in part by the Delaware River and by lands late of Dr. John Aldrich, by now of Henry Hanse, by the land hereinafter described as No. 2, by land now or late of John V. Craven, but formerly of John D. Dilworth, by land formerly of Joshua Green, by land of Mary Bessie, by land of the Starr Brothers Cannery Company, by land now or late of Martin Lane, by land of Henry Cleaver, by land of John Zachies and by land of Lewis Green, containing two hundred and fifty acres and ninety square perches of land, excepting thereout a small cemetery lot, with the free right of ingress, egress and regress thereto which was conveyed unto Mary E. R. Stewart by deed under the hands and seals of Martin Lane and wife, bearing date May 12th, A. D. 1897, and now remaining of record in the Office for the Recording of Deeds, &c., in and for New Castle County aforesaid in Deed Record I, Volume 17, page 306.

Attendance will be given and terms made known by,

JOHN E. DENNY, Administrator of John W. Denny, deceased, or by his Attorney, Martin B. Burris, Esq.

Attest: JOSEPH C. JOLLS, Clerk O. C.
Wilmington, Del., December 3d, 1909.

1909 TIME TABLE 1909

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STEAMER CLIO

Captain H. V. Woodall
WILL LEAVE
Odessa for Philadelphia
AND RETURN FROM
Arch Street WHARF,
AS PER TIME TABLE:

ODESSA	DECEMBER	PHILA
Thursday, 2, 12.30pm	Friday, 3, 11.00am
Monday, 6, 3.00pm	Tuesday, 7, 12.30pm
Thursday, 9, 5.30pm	Friday, 10, 8.00pm
Monday, 13, 8.00pm	Tuesday, 14, 5.30pm
Thursday, 16, 12.00noon	Friday, 17, 7.30pm
Monday, 20, 2.00pm	Tuesday, 21, 12noon
Thursday, 23, 5.00pm	Friday, 24, 8.30pm
Monday, 27, 8.00pm	Tuesday, 28, 5.30pm
Thursday, 30, 12noon	Friday, 31, 7.30pm

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☞NOTICE!

I, WILSON D. MARVEL, licensed druggist, tenant of the house, 317 Market street, in the First ward of the city of Wilmington, County of New Castle and State of Delaware, in compliance with the requirements of the Acts of the General Assembly in such made and provided, do hereby give notice that I shall apply in writing to the Court of General Sessions of the State of Delaware, in and for New Castle County, on Monday, the third day of January, A. D. 1910, being the next term of said court, for a license for the said house as a drug store, for the sale therein of intoxicating liquors by prescription for medicinal purposes, in less quantities than one quart, and the following respectable citizens of said ward, at least twelve of whom are substantial freeholders of said ward, recommended the said application, viz:

S. H. Staats,	Jas. M. Price,
Harry A. Beeson,	Jas. T. Laws,
Benjamin F. Rawnley	Albert Newmyer,
E. Newmyer,	Thos. O. Cooper, M.D
A. V. Ladd,	Geo. M. K. Loper,
W. Montgomery,	H. D. Entriken,
Louis Reches,	Jay Ephriam,
Joseph Fieber,	Chas. P. Saylor,
M. Ephraim,	Lewis Kirk,
J. H. Harkins,	E. A. Parker,
Jacob Zimmerman,	Willard Springer,
Michael DeVine,	Hugh Lynch,
A. R. Saylor,	S. G. Simmons.

WILSON D. MARVEL,
First Ward, Wilmington,
317 Market street
Drug S[illegible]

M. Banning!

Fancy Groceries Meats, Dry Goods Notions, &c.

Now is the time to buy your **Xmas Goods,** while we have a large and fresh stock to select from. We have paid special attention to buying the very best goods for our trade, and we feel we can give you better attention and service as we have a larger space to display our goods.

Candies.--Just received a fresh line of Croft & Allen's Candies, also Taffy and package candies. New Nuts of all kinds now on sale.

Foreign Fruits.--You no doubt remember those delicious Cluster Raisins we had last year, we think our line excells last year's, as we have more varieties to select from. Also Foreign and Domestic Fruits in abundance.

Green Vegetables a Specialty

Fruit Cakes, Etc.--Everything in season for your Fruit Cake and Mince Meats. Also a fresh line of Cakes now in, including Fruit Cakes, from 1 to 5 lbs., and Fancy Cakes and Crackers.

Toilet Articles.--Have a nice assortment of Colgate's Toilet Articles, such as Extracts, Toilet Water, Talcum Powder, Soaps, etc.

Dry Goods.--Have enlarged our Dry Goods and Notion Department. Few novelties for Xmas presents. Come and give us a call before going elsewhere.

Thanking you for past favors and hoping to receive a part of your future patronage, we beg to remain

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Light Weight, Medium Weight, Heavy Weight.

From a $5 00 note on up by easy stages to $30 and $35—of course the better ones are the cheapest in the long run.

Boys' Suits,
Boys' Overcoats,
Boys' Reefers,
Boys' Knee Pants,
Boys' Sweaters,

and almost everything the boy wants.

Suits from.....$2.00 up
Overcoats from.....$2.00 up

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This cold spell reminds us that we must have another pair of shoes for the winter—heavy ones that will keep out the cold and the snow. A russet calf shoe is very good for this, as is also a gunmetal or a box calf. We have all of these and in many styles and it is a well known fact that they are better and cheaper than any others in town. Here are a few of our standard lines:

Ladies' Security Shoes, gunmetal, button or lace ...$2.00
Ladies' Princess Shoes, gunmetal, button or lace $2 50 and $3
Ladies' high top russet calf.....$3.00
Men's Ibex line, gunmetal, russet or box calf.....$2.00
Men's Paddock line, gunmetal or box calf..$2 50 and $3 00

Also many others, free for inspection, every pair guaranteed.

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PRICES that's HARD to BEAT:

Men's Suits

$ 8.50 Black Thibet,	$6.50
8.00 Fine Stripes,	5.00
12.00 Fine Worsted,	8.50
12.00 Suits,	7.50
15.00 Suits,	9.00
20.00 Suits,	14.50

Men's Overcoats

$10.00 Black and Blue,	$ 8.00
8.50 Heavy collars,	6.00
12.00 Fine Rain Coats,	8.50
9.00 Extra heavy coats,	5.50
20.00 Rain Proof,	12.50

Children' Suits

$2.00 Blue & Black cheviots	$ 1.50
3.00 Gray Oxfords,	2.00
5.00 Fine Stripes & Mixtures,	3.00
7.50 Fine Serges,	5.00

Men's Pants

$ 2.00 Cheviots,	$1.50
3.00 Worsted,	2.00
4.00 Fine dress pants,	3.00
5.00 Nobby stripes,	3.50

SHOES

75c. Children's Shoes,	49c
$1.50 Boys' School Shoes,	$1.15
$1.50 Misses' Shoes,	$1.15
Safe-ti $4 and $5 Shoes,	$3.00
Elks Brand $4 and $5 Shoes,	$3.00

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$2.50 Men's Kersey Pants,	$1.75
$1.50 Grey and White Coat Sweaters,	98c
50c Fleece Lined Underwear,	39c
50c Ladies' Ribbed Underwear,	39c
15c Men's Fine Socks,	8c
75c Mens Fine Dress Shirts,	39c

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MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.

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Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.35 a. m., 10.05 a.m., 4.05 p.m. 6.00 p. m. and 9 p. m.
Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p.m
For Odessa—7.0 a. m., 8.30 a. m. 11.30 a. m., 4.50 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9.30 a. m. and 4.45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., DEC. 4, 1909

Local News

Ask for E. Blome's "Home Made" bread, 4c a loaf.

Muehlburger's Bread, Pies and Cakes fresh daily at M. Banning.

Dr. J. Allen Johnson will examine your teeth and give estimate without charge.

FOR RENT.—My dwelling on East Cochran street. Possession given March 25th, 1910. Apply to W. Reese Parker.

Dr. J. C. Stites has removed his dental office to the building recently vacated by the Western Union Telegraph Co., next door to J. L. Shepherd's office.

FOR RENT—Two (2) houses on East Main street. Possession given March 25th, 1910. Apply to Mrs. J. B. Cooke, 4719 Hazel Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

FOR RENT.—Store and dwelling at Mt. Pleasant. Possession given March 25th next. Apply to T. E. Clayton, Mt. Pleasant, Del.

Tomatoes are away down and at the present prices, unless they take a rapid advance, the canneries will lose thousands of dollars in the State.

The Rev. F. H. Moore will preach in the Armstrong Chapel on to-morrow, Sunday afternoon. Service commences at 2.30 o'clock. All cordially invited.

FOR SALE.—Fancy articles suitable for Xmas gifts. Also, Royal Society packet articles for embroidering. See display in window. Mrs. J. H. Emerson.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church will have a "bake," to-day, December 4th, in the store room of Miss Martha Roberts, East Main street, for the benefit of Armstrong's Chapel.

The hornets built their nests high up from the ground this year, which means, we are told, a mild winter. When they build low down it means a rough and blustery winter.

After October first, the Library hours will be as follows: Tuesday, 3.30 to 5; Fridays, 7 to 8.30; Saturdays, 3 to 5. The Library will be open on Tuesday evenings, from 7 to 8.30, for school children exclusively.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending November 25th: Anne Jones, (dead letter); Edna Johnson, (dead letter).

The stores will soon be resplendent with all the beauty of Christmas attire. Goods are daily arriving in large quantities. The wise shopper is the one who buys early and gets the pick of the market.

A number of little folks gave an entertainment last Friday evening at the home of Mrs. A. M. Chamberlaine. All the parts were well taken and $7.60 earned, which will be given to the building fund of St. Annes Sunday School.

Mr. Merchant, let us have that Christmas ad. You owe it to yourself to announce your wares to the public, and you owe it to your patrons to advise them just what they may find when they enter your store. Also we would ask that you get your ads. in early.

The ladies of Forest Presbyterian Church will give a musicale and literary entertainment in the Sunday school room, on Friday evening, December 17th, at 7.30 o'clock. A silver offering will be taken at the door. All are cordially invited.

The Junior Auxiliary of St. Annes will hold their annual Bazaar in the Parish house adjoining the Church on Saturday afternoon, December 11th, at 1.30 o'clock. Very attractive fancy articles will be for sale, also home-made candy and cake.

E. H. Beck, Real Estate Broker, has sold the farm belonging to the estate of George N. Gill, located near Cecilton, Md., containing 350 acres to Thomas J. Middleton, for $12,100. Also sold the farm at Back Creek Mill belonging to Harry E. Joyce, containing 70 acres, to William A. Stubbs, for $3,000.

A surprise was given for Mrs. Edward M. Vaughan on last Saturday afternoon, it being her birthday. The guests at dinner were: Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Stites, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Townsend, Miss Mary Hutchin, Miss Mary Nowland, Mr. William G. Lockwood and Mr. William Eliason.

We have before us a card stating that the Salvation Army wagon, of Wilmington, will be at Middletown during part of next week for the purpose of receiving for the industrial home any old clothing, shoes, rubbers, books, magazines or newspapers. It is hoped to receive a ready, liberal response from our citizens to carry on the work of the army.

The Town Commissioners have instructed Chief of Police Stanley to disperse the crowds of boys and young men who congregate on the four corners Sunday evenings and frequently insult ladies as they pass. This custom has been tolerated for a long time by our people, and it is indeed gratifying to know the Commissioners have decided to put an end to it, by instructing the police to arrest all offenders.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered in the Forest Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning, December twelfth. Services will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings of next week. The Rev. R. L. Hallett will preach on Thursday evening, December ninth. The Session will meet on Friday evening and on Sunday morning, December twelfth to receive those desiring to unite with the Church.

The members of the New Century Club were highly entertained and instructed by Rev. Vaughan S. Collins on Tuesday. It was "Educational Day" and was in charge of the Chairman of Education, Mrs. C. J. Freeman. Dr. Collins talked on "Education" in his usual pleasing and instructive manner and the ladies were delighted to have the Doctor with them. Next Tuesday the program will be: At Home to the Odessa Monday Club; Address, Rev. Albert E. Clay, of Wilmington; Social features in charge of Club Hostess, Miss Eliza C. Green, assisted by Miss Bessie S. Anderson.

Men's and Boys' Clothing cleaned and pressed on short notice. Satisfaction guaranteed. Mrs. C. M. Stanger.

The degree team of Winona Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., of Wilmington, visited Middletown Council, No. 2, Monday evening and initiated one brother into the mysteries of the order. The visitors from Wilmington numbered fifteen, and several members of the order from Townsend, Summit Bridge, St. Georges, Sassafras, Md., and Cecilton Md., were present. The members of the local lodge were well pleased with the manner in which their visiting brothers gave the degree work, and will endeavor to have them return at some further date. After the business of the evening had been transacted, the visitors and home members enjoyed a spread consisting of sandwiches, doughnuts, coffee, cigars, etc. The local lodge is making an effort to increase its membership, and during the past two months has added several new names to its ranks.

SALES DEPARTMENT IN PHILADELPHIA

The J. C. Parker & Son Co., Will Handle The Detroit Electric Automobile

The J. C. Parker & Son Co., have established a sales department at 17 North 21st Street, Philadelphia, Pa., where they will handle the Detroit Electric Automobile manufactured by the Anderson Carriage Co., of Detroit, Mich., and a full line of their manufactured stock, together with carriages, gasoline motor vehicles and delivery wagons, which will be in charge of Mr. W. Reese Parker, the President of the Company. The sales department of the company will now be handled in Philadelphia, and direct shipments will be made from Middletown where the goods will be made as heretofore, which will be under the personal direction of Mr. Joseph C. Parker and Mr. Joseph C. Parker, Jr. They have added two more traveling men to their force and naturally expect to enlarge their harness, collar and carriage business, as three-fifths of all the manufactured products and carriages they have sold have been sold west, north and east of Philadelphia. Mr. Abram Hayden the head salesman, has moved his family to West Philadelphia, and from this time on will make that his headquarters. Mr. W. Reese Parker has not yet moved, but anticipates moving in the spring.

The J. C. Parker & Son Co., have been handling the Anderson Carriage Co.'s line of buggies and vehicles for five seasons, and they have sold two or three of those seasons about one-tenth of the entire output of the Anderson Carriage Co.'s line, and their success with the vehicle business led the Anderson Carriage Co., to make them a very flattering proposition to represent them in the disposition of their electric automobile, which is claimed to be the best one in the world in point of beauty of design, lightness of equipment, luxurious appointments, and will go further on a single charge than any Auto in the world. In addition to this they are now designing a commercial vehicle which will be ready for 1911 trade. We sincerely hope that this company will be successful with its entire line, as the more goods they sell, the more will have to be manufactured in Middletown, thus ensuring employment to those who work for them. While we regret to lose the families connected with this company from our midst, we certainly hope that what will undoubtedly be our loss will be Philadelphia's gain, as both Mr. Parker and Mr. Hayden are young energetic business men, and they are deserving of the greatest measure of success.

DIES AT AGE OF 103

Dover, Del., Nov. 30th.—Captain John Downing, the oldest man in Delaware, and the hero of four wars, died at his home at Little Creek during last night. His funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon.

Captain Downing was born in Philadelphia, on July 4ht, 1806. He served consecutively in the Creek-Seminole Indian war, of 1832; in the Mexican war, of 1845: in the Crimean war of 1855-57, and in the Civil war, of 1861 65.

After his seventy days in the Seminole war in Florida fighting the Indians, his next experience was the Mexican war.

He was always a lover of the navy, and his service in this war was on what was known as the "steamer" Anderson under Captain John King. The Anderson convoyed supply ships, and met the American troops at coast towns with supplies and arms, but was often fired at and figured in hot engagements.

In the Crimean war, Downing's assignment was on the Golden Gate, a transport, and the work on this ship kept its men in continual hot water, or hot fire.

Downing enlisted from Philadelphia in the Civil war, and was one of the first to go. His term began on July 27, 1861, and extended through the full term of three years and then nine days over, free, for good measure. Downing then ripe in years, served as a master-at-arms on "The Yankee," a receiving ship.

He has lived retired near Little Creek for many years.

Now who says Delaware's climate is not salubrious!

MEETING OF THE LEVY COURT

There was little business before the Levy Court on Tuesday and the session was short. At the request of William H. Cooper, Jr., representing a number of residents and property owners along the proposed line, the commissioners deferred action on the application from the American Power Company for permission to erect poles and wires along the public road from New Castle to Delaware City for the purpose of supplying electric current for light, heat and power purposed for the town of Delaware City, Fort duPont and residents along the road.

County Treasurer Robert M. Burns reported the following county balances:

Balance to the credit of New Castle county, $154.661.19; special bond issue, No. 1, $6,084.37; special bond issue, No. 2, $42,956.94; miscellaneous road appropriations, $369.63; Christiana hundred, $3,828 85; Mill Creek, $4,682.55; White Clay Creek, $293 10; Pencader, $1,204.74; New Castle, $3,875.19; Red Lion, $1,473.12; St. Georges, $5,527.77; Appoquinimink, $1,209.06; Blackbird, $409.34; Brandywine, $2,278.59.

The bill of the Ferris Industrial School for the care of seventy-seven boys and amounting to $954.80 during November was passed. The afternoon was passed in the inspection of a new road in Brandywine hundred.

PERSONALITIES.

Miss Elizabeth Lindley is visiting in Ardmore, Pa

Miss Jean Metten has been visiting relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. L. V. Davidson, of Philadelphia, was in town this week.

Mrs. G. W. Lockwood is spending sometime in Ridley Park, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Foard spent part of last week at Atlantic City, N. J.

Miss Pearl Gardner, of Centreville, Md., has been the guest of Miss Elsie Byron.

Miss Viola McWhorter has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Kilpatrick, at Morton, Pa.

Mrs. Frederick Brady has been entertaining Miss Meredith, of West Chester.

Mrs. M. B. Burris spent Thanksgiving day with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Arthurs, at Kenton.

Miss Maud Smith was the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. L. Massey, in Wilmington, over Sunday.

Mrs. Cole Matlack and little daughter, of Philadelphia, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wilson.

Miss Mary Walker, of Wilmington, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Enoch Allee, on Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. Thomas Seward and little son, of Price's, Md., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John M. McGuire.

Mr. Joshua Clayton, Jr., spent this week with his daughter, Mrs. J. Groome Steele, in Chesapeake City.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lippincott, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with their niece, Miss Mary Lippincott.

Mrs. Thomas Torbert, of West Virginia, is visiting her mother, Mrs. L. W. Pennington, on West Main street.

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Comegys and little son, of Philadelphia, have been guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Comegys.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Vinyard and two children, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Vinyard.

Misses Ethel Grieves and Hilda Kirby, of Smyrna, spent several days last week with the former's aunt, Mrs. Harry W. Richards.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. McCullough, of Elkton, Md., were entertained at the home of Mrs. G. F. Brady on Thanksgiving day.

Mr. Charles C. Byron, of the Salisbury District of the Diamond State Telephone Company, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Byron.

Mrs. H. P. Shapley and children and Miss Caddie Shapley, of Smyrna, and Miss Elizabeth Holten, of Dover, visited Mrs. Julia Holten several days last week.

Mr. John F. Metten, of Philadelphia, and Mr. William F. Metten and children and Miss Bernice Metten, of Wilmington, visited Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Metten on Thanksgiving day.

ROLLS OF HONOR

The following pupils of the Middletown High School have attained an average of 90 per cent. or better for the month of November:

High School. Grade A—Rupert Burstan, Lena Weber, Agnes Musgrove, Alfred Connellee, Estelle Beaston. Grade B—Irving Brockson, Emma Penington, Leah Berkman, Mary Carpenter. Grade C—Helen McDowell, Maude Taylor, Viola Weber. Special Grade—Ruby Whitlock.

Department No. 2. Class A—Elizabeth Gibbs. Class B—Sarah Kates, Lola Ingram, Orah Spry, Frank Tyson.

Department No. 3. Class A—Jessie Shepherd, Marian Vinyard, Avery Donovan, Elmer Kirk, Mildred Redgrave. Class B—Gertrude Stanley, Clarence Weber, Ruth Gillespie.

Department No. 4. Class A—Frank McWhorter, Allen Johnson, Frank Walker, Mildred Vaughan, Odel Gallagher, Clara Gallagher, Foster Johnson. Class B—Margaret Pleasanton, Albert Schuman, Lelia Pratt, Celia Decktor, Minnie West, Mildred Hall, Millie Rosenberg, Olive Lockwood, Frances Cochran.

Department No. 5. Division A—Marion Pinder, Hilda Craig, Florence Penniwell, Viola Marker, Allee Hall, Alden Parker, Helen McWhorter, Virginia Williams, Benjamin Williams, Claude Fouracre, Hattie Cochran, Henrietta Schroeder, Miller Reed. Division B—Grace Brady, Frank Jones, Edwin McDowell, George Blansfield.

Department No. 6. Grade II—Gladys Long, Mary West, Esther Brynes, Clara Brady, Clyde Taylor, George Dewees, Richard Cochran, Samuel Lundy, Daniel Bingnear. Grade I—Marian Armstrong, Laura Fogel, Sarah Pearce, Virginia Pearce Fannie Rosenberg, Corinne Vansant, Lillie Hollins, Gwendolyn Gary, Rogers Fouracre, P. L. McWhorter, Jr., Clinton Jolls, Parker Schuman, Edward Atwell.

Matthews Corner School

The following pupils of Matthews Corner School deserve special commendation for the month of November:

Eighth Grade—William Walker. Fifth Grade—Lee Sparks, Willie Roemer, Ethel Daniels. Fourth Grade—Helen Sparks. Third Grade—Harry Bingnear.

WRIGHT & DAVIDSON CO., DISSOLVE

The Wright & Davidson Company, Inc., for the past ten years doing business at Eighth and Market street, Wilmington, is to be dissolved, as a result of the decision of Mr. Joseph Davidson to retire permanently from active business. Mr. Davidson has not been in the best of health for several months, though able to attend to business, but he has decided to be relieved of the cares of active business life within the next month or two and the dissolution of the partnership follows.

Mr. Joseph Davidson and Mr. James H. Wright have been conducting the clothing business at the above location for the past 10 years, and very successfully. Mr. Wright started the business in the same store three years previous to taking Mr. Davidson into partnership, and for 10 years previous to going into business for himself Mr. Wright was manager of the big store of the Hamburgers of Baltimore, which was then located at 221 Market street.

The stock of the Wright & Davidson Company is to be sold at once, at price reductions which should mean a speedy adjustment of the firm's business interests, and a quick closing out of the entire stock. This stock is made up of a large line of men's, boys' and children's clothing, furnishings, &c., and is very complete.

Mr. James H. Wright has released the present store, from March 25th and after extensive alterations will resume business in his own name.

RETIRED FARMER ENDS LIFE

Manlove Davis, Aged 82, Becomes Melancholy and shoots Himself

Having been sick for a long time and fearing that he would eventually be compelled to take to his bed where he would become helpless and have to have people waiting on him, Manlove Davis, aged 82 years, a wealthy retired farmer living on Lake street, Tuesday morning about 7.30 o'clock commited suicide by shooting himself in the month with a revolver. The coroner was notified of the case, and after he had been informed of the particulars he issued a certicate of death by suicide. Mr. Davis had been ill for sometime and had been under the care of Dr. D. W. Lewis. He was suffering from melancholia. His relatives had been keeping watch over him lest he did attemp to harm himself in some way. Tuesday morning about 7 o'clock he left the house and went to the stable in the rear of the property. He had secured a revolver and placing the barrel in his mouth he pulled the trigger and sent a bullet crashing into his brain, causing instant death. The shot was not heard by occupants in the house, but Mr. Davis had been away about fifteen minutes when the cook and a white lady about the house discovered his absence and went to look for him. They found the body in the carriage house, lying on a box and the revolver was tightly grasped in his hand. Mr. Davis had written a note and pinned it to his clothing before killing himself. It was addressed to his brother, N. T. Davis. In it he said he was in his right mind and that he had shot himself. He said he hoped his relatives would not feel badly about his act, but he declared that he would be better off when he was dead. His wife is dead but he is survived by one brother and three sisters. He had retired from active business several years ago.

The funeral services took place from his late residence yesterday afternoon at one o'clock, interment being made in Forest Cemetery. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. Henry Hendrickson, James L. Warren, Daniel Corbit, N. J. Williams, Eugene Davis and C. M. Cochran.

We have in STORAGE several hundred tons of HIGH GRADE LEHIGH and BITUMINOUS COAL. You don't have to place your order before-hand as it is ALWAYS IN STOCK. We have just added to our yard a nice lot of SAWED WOOD. Phone 5. Jesse L. Shepherd.

ODESSA

Mrs. John Wiest is in Philadelphia this week.

Miss Alice Croft is visiting relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. D. W. Corbit was a visitor in Wilmington last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson are in Philadelphia this week.

Mr. Pierce Berry, of Wilmington, is the guest of his mother this week.

Mr. George Heldmyer and mother are Philadelphia visitors this week.

Mrs. Thomas Spicer, on Wednesday evening last, fell and broke her arm.

Mrs. Jacob Muehlberger is the guest of her sister in Philadelphia this week.

Mr. Herman Kumpel and family visited relatives on the Levels on Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Shockley, of Philadelphia, was a visitor in town last week.

Mrs. Joseph Rhodes, who has been quite ill, is improving slowly.

Miss Angie Skellenger, of Wilmington, visited her cousin, Miss Emma Eccles, from Wednesday until Saturday.

Miss Corrine Kielkopf is the guest of her brother, Mr. John Kielkopf, in Philadelphia.

Mr. Richard Tucker, of Wilmington, spent Thanksgiving day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Tucker.

Miss Margaret Quaid, of Philadelphia, is a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Caroline Hahn, this week.

Ralph Shallcross is spending this week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Moore.

Mr. Leonard Rhodes, of Newark, spent Tuesday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rhodes.

Mrs. O. C. Stevens, who has been spending sometime at River Head, Long Island, returned home Monday evening.

Mrs. William D. Evans and daughter Margaret, of Noxontown, was the guest of her sister, Miss Mollie Rose, on Sunday.

Rev. John F. Clark, who has been conducting revival services here for the past two weeks, left on Saturday for Clayton.

Mrs. Fred Demerest, of Delanco, N. J., visited her mother, Mrs. Michael Gremminger, last week.

Mrs. Ella Smith and daughters Viola and Isabella spent last week with friends in Philadelphia.

Miss Ella Berry has returned home, after a pleasant visit with relatives at St. Augustine, Md.

Mr. Eugene Long and family, of Middletown, visited his mother, Mrs. Theodore Long, on Sunday.

Miss Grace Isaacs, who has been confined to her home for the past two weeks with a sprained ankle, is able to be out again.

Matthew Walls and Walter Kern, of New Castle, have returned home, after a pleasant visit with their aunt, Mrs. John Kielkopf.

Miss Minnie Armstrong, of West Chester State Normal School, was the guest of her parents from Wednesday until Monday.

Washington Camp, No. 11, P. O. S. of A., will hold a special meeting on Wednesday evening, December 8th, at which all members are urgently requested to be present.

Mrs. John C. Corbit, Jr., and little daughter Ann, and J. Chester Gibson, of Wilmington; Rev. Charles K. Gibson, of White Haven, Pa., and George C. Gibson, of Philadelphia, were Thanksgiving day guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Gibson.

Miss Edna Ewell, Superintendent of the Primary Department of the M. E Sunday School, entertained the class at a cake social on Saturday afternoon last, from 2 to 4 o'clock. The children had a very enjoyable time and made a jolly party, making and baking cakes.

TOWNSEND

Rev. and Mrs. F. C. MacSorley are visiting relatives in Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. Maggie Lee spent a few days of this week with relatives near Smyrna.

Mr. Walter Vosbell, of Philadelphia, is spending sometime with his sister here.

Mr. George Peachy, of Philadelphia, spent Thanksgiving with his parents here.

Mrs. Lester Naylor, of near McDonough, was the guest of friends in town on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Lee and son were guests of friends in Odessa on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hutchinson, Jr., spent Sunday with Daniel B. Jones and family.

Mr. and Mrs. George Knotts spent last Friday and Saturday with his brother in Cheswold.

Miss Lillian Hart spent Sunday with Misses Emma and Mary Carpenter, near Middletown.

Miss Mildred Tarbutton, of Wilmington, is spending a few days with Miss Anna VanDyke.

Miss Lilian West, of West Chester State Normal School, spent part of last week with her parents here.

Miss Mildred Ginn has accepted a position in Wilmington, and entered upon her duties on Wednesday.

Mrs. Roy Hutchison, of Philadelphia, spent part of last week with George Daniels and family, near town.

Misses Anite Jones and Mary Stephenson, of near Smyrna, were the guests of Miss Ethel V. Lee part of last week.

Mr. ann Mrs. Samuel Townsend, of Wilmington, are spending this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Townsend.

Mr. David Atwell and Mrs. Warren Smith, of West Chester, were guests of his parents from Wednesday until Saturday.

On Thanksgiving Mrs. Maggie Lee had a family reunion and in the afternoon, Rev. Vaughan S. Collins of Middletown, baptised two of her grandchildren. Those present were: Mr. Martin Lee, Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. John W. Morris and children, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lee and son, and Miss Mary Stephenson, Smyrna; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Lee and son; and Miss Lilian West, Townsend.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. B. FOARD.

Wheat—No. 1	$1.07	Corn—	
No. 2		Yellow, shelled	56
Timothy Seed	$2.50	" cob	55
Clover Seed	.11¼	Oats	60

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE

Eggs, per doz	34@36
Country Butter, per lb	33@38
Creamery Butter, per lb	41
Lard, per lb	13@17
Live Chickens, per lb	12@14
Potatoes	35@45

FOR SALE!

Scarlet Clover Hay, baled	$16.00 ton
Cotton Seed Meal	$35.00 ton
Bran	$25.00 ton
Old-fashioned Buckwheat Flour	$ 3.00 bag

JOSEPH E. HOLLAND,
Milford, Del.

FOR SALE!

I have the following valuable farms for sale:
386 acres ½ mile from Forest Station.
213 acres 1 mile from Mt. Pleasant.
165 acres 1 mile from Mt. Pleasant.
186 acres on Levels.
196 acres 2 miles from Middletown.
153 acres ½ mile from Townsend.
240 acres ½ mile from Reybolds.
175 acres at Forest Station.
These farms are all near stations and possession will be given in March next.
G. W. INGRAM,
Middletown, Del

Just Received!

A NEW LINE OF FRESH & CHOICE

Candies

TRY A BOX OF OUR

"Duchess" Assorted Chocolates

Only 35c. a pound

TRUITT'S Pharmacy,

Prescriptions a Specialty.

FIRE INSURANCE
Town Property, Farm Buildings, and Stock
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Insure now against damage from wind storms
Life and Accident Insurance
GEORGE D. KELLEY,
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FOR SALE

98 Acre Farm

One-half mile from railroad station, close enough to Wilmington to attend market. Nice 8 room dwelling. Stable for 8 horses and 8 cows, good granary, wagon shed and other outbuildings, all in good order. 20 acres good timber. 150 peach trees, 35 pear trees, 140 apple trees, cherries and grapes. Nicely located and good land. About 40 acres in wheat. This is a bargain and should sell in 30 days.

Price Only $5,250.00

and $2,000.00 can remain at 5 per cent. if desired. Call on or address

E. H. BECK
Middletown, Del.

Messick's!

Better One Good Suit Than Two Poor Ones

A well-made Suit will not only outlast one that is unreliable but it will keep its shape and retain its style while you wear it. If you have had experience with the unreliable kind then you know how true this statement is. As a matter of economy strictly it is cheaper by far to buy a Suit or Overcoat of known quality and repute than to buy a "Pig in the Poke," in the foolish hope that you are practicing economy. You must also be alert for Clothes that are flat iron faked, that is, shaped by this process instead of by hand needle work as good clothes are. We guarantee you are getting honest Clothes when you select a Kirschbaum Suit. Price $15, $18 and $20.

Men's New Protector Overcoats

Kirschbaum make in Raincoats, sample lot, made to sell at $22.50 to $25.00. All sizes in the lot. Most all different patterns at $15 and $18.

Special in Dry Goods Department

15c. and 12½c. Towels at 5½c. This lot of Towels are Mills Seconds, slight imperfect in weave, this is a great bargain in Towels, as this grade and price are seldom in the market. Mills make few seconds as it means quite a loss. While this lot lasts at 5½c. not over one dozen to a customer.

J. B. MESSICK,
Cochran Block
Middletown, Delaware

$15.00

It is remarkable how many men expect to pay about $15 for a Ready-made Suit or Overcoat, and it is just as remarkable what Big Values we can give you at this price. All-Worsted Suits in Black and White, Silk Mixtures, Blue Serges, Blue Fancys, the new Grey Mixtures, Black Thibets and the new Grey Cheviots. Men's Business Suits $5 to $10. Black Suits $8 to $25. Fine Worsteds $15 to $35. Prince Alberts Suits $20 to $35. Full Dress and Tuxedo Suits $20 to $40. In Overcoats at $15, Black and Oxford Fall Coats, Fancy and Plain Cheviots in Greys and Brown Mixtures. Winter Coats in Greys, Mixtures, Black and Oxford with Plain, Protector and Velvet Collars. Men's Overcoats $6 to $40. Silk-lined $25 to $40. Big line Boys' and Little Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Full line House Coats, Bath Robes and Holiday Specialties in Men's Furnishings for Christmas gifts in and ready.

MULLIN'S MEN'S STORE
WILMINGTON

ASTIGMATISM
of the Eye

WHEN an eye is said to be astigmatic, the meaning is that the eye has a double focus. This annoys the brain and the eye will strain unconsciously to bring about a clear focus; this strain usually causes headaches. Astigmatism is usually congenital or so at birth—it is remedied by wearing glasses ground from the segment of a cylinder. These glasses, if rightly made, bring images to a focus on the retina thus relieve all strain. Children as well as adults suffer from astigmatism. I am prepared to correct all common or complicated errors of sight—my examinations are free.

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Shop Now!

Christmas will soon be here, and we are ready for you with a large stock of beautiful and seasonable gifts for your wife, mother, sweetheart or daughter, also some very useful articles for the little folks.

Special Sale of Ladies' & Misses' - - - SUITS - - -

Our selling of Suits the past month greatly exceeded that of last year in November, but owing to the mild weather the manufacturers were overstocked, and we have just received 50 Sample Suits from New York, which we bought at 25 per cent. less than the regular wholesale price, and you can buy them at our store at 25 per cent. less if you will come while they are here.

$25.00	Suits for	- -	$18.00
20	"	"	15
18	"	"	13.50
16.50	"	"	12
15	"	"	10
12	"	"	8.50

All colors and sizes in the lot.

Special Sale in Furs

Buying fur is like buying diamonds—you must rest on the reputation of the store you deal with. We know furs too well to let you make a mistake in quality. Every piece is as good as we represent it, and they are now all marked at reduced prices.

A FOGEL, Middletown Delaware

A Surveyor's Predicament

BY ALBERT W. TOLMAN

At certain places on the Maine coast are found weather-blighted jungles of fir, spruce and cedar, almost literally impenetrable. Like grass spears in a mowing field, the slender trunks stand close, none very tall, but making up in number of branches what they lack in height. In their gloomy recesses an object ten feet off is invisible.

To make one's way through these dense thickets is a slow and painful business. The interlaced boughs, tough and springy, begin close to the ground, as if the trees were half buried. It is like a succession of closely set cedar hedges, the stems in each row opposite the open spaces in the rows on each side of it.

If anybody thinks this description exaggerated, I wish he might talk with Dana McCorrison. Dana is a surveyor. Three summers ago he put in some time running lines on Scamman's Neck.

Scamman's Neck, according to Dana, is a squash-shaped peninsula between the Kennebec and the Penobscot. A wealthy New Yorker had the idea that it would be a good place for a summer colony. So he bought it, and engaged me to make a survey. I was just starting for myself then, and felt much pleased to get the work.

August 10th found me on my way to the Neck. I had engaged two chainmen, but at the last minute one failed me, and I had no time to fill his place. So Jack Caswell and I went down alone.

Jack was twenty-three, just my own age. He was an old school friend, who had started in a little late to learn surveying from the bottom. He was a hard worker and first-rate company. His weight was his only drawback. Two hundred and thirty pounds is heavy for a business that requires so much moving about. Still, he handled himself better than a good many lighter men I've known. He made no unnecessary motions, and saved time by doing everything just right at the start. He made an excellent chainman.

My employer wanted a quick preliminary survey, so we went down prepared to work hard and fast from daylight to dark. There was a summer hotel five miles off, but we didn't care to waste time going back and forth. As the weather was warm, we planned to camp in the woods.

Just before noon on the eleventh of August we struck the narrow isthmus connecting the Neck with the mainland. We were in light marching order, outfit following in a wagon a mile or so behind.

Right across the isthmus was pitched a camp belonging to some boys from a military school. There were several tents, a flagpole flying the Stars and Stripes, and a wooden runway from beach to beach, so that a boat could be launched on each side.

A young fellow in blue was pacing up and down, gun on shoulder. The minute he saw us he brought his bayonet to a charge.

Halt! he cried. Who goes there.

Friends, said I, humoring him.

Advance, friends, and give the countersign! he commanded. That stuck me.

Officer of the guard! he sang out; and two or three fellows popped from a tent and took us in before the commander, and accused us of being spies. After hearing our story he pronounced sentence.

I condemn you, he said, solemn as a judge, to hard labor in this camp so long as you shall remain on Scamman's Neck, said labor to consist in eating three square meals of Guild's cooking daily. Cook, set plates for the prisoners.

Well, I never sat down to a better dinner—fish chowder, hot biscuits, blueberry pie and coffee. I saw Jack would not reduce his two hundred and thirty pounds much if we ate with those boys. They insisted that we should take up our quarters with them. I was glad to accept, so far as most of our meals were concerned; but as the party was somewhat cramped for sleeping accommodations, we decided not to bother them at night, but to roll up in our blankets in the bush.

At the end of two days we had the upper part of the Neck pretty well run out. The woods were not so thick as to make surveying hard, but they were fearfully dry, and I saw we must be mighty careful about fire.

In the glades about forty sheep and a ram found pasture. Every now and then we ran across some of them. The ram didn't offer to attack us, but kept a suspicious eye on our movements; he seemed to feel that the guardianship of that Neck was especially vested in him.

The second night found us dead tired, and almost a mile from Camp Grant. We concluded not to go back for supper, but to eat where we were and then turn in. We built a little shack in the spruces, munched a few crackers and drank from the brook, and then spread our blankers on a soft bed of twigs, first smearing hands and faces with tar and pennyroyal ointment to keep off the mosquitoes.

There was a touch of autumn in the air that night and a northerly breeze set the spruce tops swaying. The sky had that beautiful green tinge which you see only when it is very clear; and as dusk fell the northern lights began to shimmer. Now and then a sheep bleated mournfully. From Camp Grant came laughter and singing, mingled with the tink-tink, pinky-pinky-punk of banjos. The sounds lulled us to sleep.

Hi, Mac! Hi! Hi! Jack was shaking me.

I woke, coughing. The air was choky and stifling with smoke. Springing up, I saw that the sky was alight to the north. The wind, which was now blowing strongly, brought to us a peculiar rushing and crackling. It was the sweep of fire through the dry evergreens. Something, possibly a spark from the camp chimney, had set the whole Neck aflame to windward.

We were directly in the path of the conflagration, with a mile of woods behind us and on each side. The only thing for us to do was to strike straight for the sea, which, though we had not yet surveyed the lower part of the Neck, we knew lay only half a mile south.

It was high time to be up and off, for the fire was coming down at the rate of several miles an hour; but we must save our outfit, if possible. My compass was worth thirty-five dollars, too much to throw away, I wrapped it in my blanket. It weighed about fifteen pounds.

Take the ax, chain and staff, Jack! I cried. Quick! We've no time to lose!

Jack gathered up his load and we started south on the run. The woods were fairly open and we made good progress. The smoke blew over us. Louder and louder behind came the rush of the fire through the evergreens. Down to the brook we hurried, spashed through it and found ourselves in a cedar swamp.

If you've ever been in such a place you'll remember the long, bare, whip-like branches springing at right angles from the trees. How they lashed and stung our faces! We pushed on as fast as we could, stepping in mucky pools and on clumps of ill-smelling skunk-cabbage. At last we reached dry ground again.

As we entered a small glade, I heard a bellow, and a black body shot toward me. It was the ram. He was apparently protecting the retreat of the sheep. I have no doubt he laid the fire to us.

I dodged him, but Jack, who was puffing behind me, received the full benefit of his charge. Over he went, bowled down like a tenpin. He sprang up, thoroughly angry, and made a rush at the ram, ax in hand. But the beast eluded him and disappeared, probably following the sheep through some path invisible to us.

For a moment we stood confused. Jack was rubbing his bruises and sputtering angrily. But it would never do to stop there. The smoke was now drifting over us quite thickly, though I could still see the stars through it.

Across the glade loomed a black wall of trees, about twenty feet high. Somewhere through it ran the path the ram had taken, but we had no time to hunt it up. Jack was the first to speak.

Straight for the water, old man! he cried, and plunged headlong into the evergreens. I followed close.

It was perfectly black. Slash! A branch, springing back, caught me across the right cheek. I clapped my hand on the spot and took it away, wet with blood. Slash again, on the left temple. Prod under the clin. Then a vicious dab beneath the eye blinded me. Leaping from the gloom, unseen and unexpected, the blows dismayed me. I slackened my pace to avoid the backward-springing boughs. I could hear Jack groan and give an occasional exclamation. He was strong as a bull, but the trees were punishing him fearfully.

With time and care we could have forced our way through the jungle without much discomfort. But we did not have the time. In less than ten minutes the place would be a furnace.

I stopped to rest. It was simply black all round, save that overhead the sky was reddening. The roar behind had drowned the murmur of the surf. I could hear Jack's heavy body crashing somewhere ahead, then the sound stopped.

Hello, Jack! I shouted.

I'm about in! he called back. That wouldn't do.

Keep up, old man! I cried. It can't be very much farther. But any distance at all was too far. We both started again.

The flames were close behind now. A faint, ominous light began to steal through the gloom. Now and then a spark drew a scarlet line through the smoke overhead. What if another fire should start in front!

With difficulty I mastered a mad desire to leap foremost into the velvety blackness before me. It would tear out my eyes, scalp me, crack my skull. But if I were not out of that fearful place in less than ten minutes I should burn to death, held upright by the trunks, as in a strait jacket.

Perhaps I could get along faster by creeping.

Down I dropped, actually finding it hard to reach the ground. The branches were so low that I could barely force myself under them. But at last, by putting my face close to the earth, I managed to crawl along.

A crackling and snapping behind made me turn my head. The fire was glimmering between the trunks. Then came a horrified yell from Jack.

It's caught ahead!

A sick panic seized me. I thought of the cool, spacious reaches of the sea. Should we, then, never gain it? It was hard to die there.

A streaming, flickering light began to grow in front. The fire had caught in the treetops and was working down and back. Broader and brighter it spread, until at last it reached the ground. We were hemmed in by walls of flame.

Halting, I struggled to my feet and stood breathless. What use to fight any longer? All would soon be over.

Jack's voice roused me. Mac! Mac! he shouted. This way, quick! I've found it!

Found what? I asked, dully. Had he gone mad?

The sheep-path! The shore's only two rode off!

That gave me strength for a minute or so; and I struggled toward him. But I was almost exhausted. At last I stopped, too tired to make another effort.

Mac! he cried again. This way!

Save yourself, I replied. I can't go a step farther.

I heard a crashing through the trees, and presently Jack loomed up before me. He didn't say a word, but grabbed me by the shoulder and dragged me along by main strength. The branches tormented us frightfully, but at last we reached the path, and he pushed me down into it.

It was a low little tunnel, with wool tufts sticking to the twigs on its sides. The fire ahead lighted it up. How were we ever to get through?

Jack stripped off his coat and threw it it over his head and shoulders. I did the same. Before my face was muffled I got a glimpse of the water at the end of the path, and that gave me new strength, I needed it. The fire was close around us now. With a rush it swept through the boughs overhead, roofing us with flame. Little blazing twigs began to fall. It was time to go.

Jack had put me in front. He intended to see that I got through.

Now crawl! he cried, giving me a push; and we started.

But for the coats over our heads we should have breathed fire and perished right there. The whole thicket was now a sheet of flame. The very needles under our fingers were burning.

I butted on blindly, bumping against the trunks on one side or the other, on, on, through the terrible heat. Then all at once a cold wind struck my body, and I tumbled out head first on the sand, with Jack on top of me.

We lay for awhile near the edge of the sea, while the fire blew over us. Our hands and faces were raw, our muscles ached, our clothes were tattered and scorched. But these were small things when we thought of the death we had escaped in that seven times-heated furnace blazing behind us.

THE MAN WHO DOES

Say, do you know the kind of fellow who's just to the world's mind? The kind the world can't lose? The kind that folks enthuse over and take off their hats to? Why it's the man who does. He's the fellow! Not the fellow whose grandpa got there; not the fellow who would if he could; not the gentleman who's going to some day; but the man-who-does, now, to-day. No sitting around waiting, about him; no expecting something to happen; no looking for someting to turn up. No, sir! He calls the turn and turns 'em; he takes off his coat and doesn't care if he starts a little sweat; he doesn't need a big, brass-buttoned copper to tell him to move on; he keeps the procession humping to keep up with him; he is hustle from his feet up and from his head down; he is not only in the push, but he is the push—the whole thing; and say, the way he makes things come and business hum is a caution; the way the world takes that fellow up and is good to him makes your heart glad; he's all right, he is; he greases the wheels of progress and keeps the world spinning round.

MAKE HENS PROFITABLE

April hatched pullets, are the ones that pay best. The chances are, if hatched later than the first or middle of May, at the latest, unless of the Leghorn class they will not come to maturity before cold weather sets in, and in this case will not lay until toward spring, or until the period of high priced eggs is past. On the other hand there is considerable extra care and expense attached to early hatching in this northern country. In March with the loss from unfertile eggs, chicks dying in the shell and those dying after they get out, the ones that do live are quite expensive chickens. And very early hatched chickens will moult in the fall likehens and this retards their developmentas early layers.

What we need to do is to select more carefully the well developed, vigorous birds for winter laying. This applies to both pullets and hens. In sorting over the stock some ask what are we to do with pullets hatched along in June, place them with the other and larger pullets, the old hens or by themselves? I would say by all means pen them by themselves, never with old hens. Generally the hens will fight and torment young pullets continually. If put with the older pullets they may not fare much better, and in this case they take up room that more promising layers should have. But a good many are handicapped for room and therefore have kept all in one room or pen. Every one keeping more than thirty hens should have three separate pens and yards.

Be sure to have good roomy pens this winter and endeavor to have them so they will be comfortable in the coldest weather, whenever a hen's body is chilled through and through and her comb and wattles frosted, her usefulness, as far as producing eggs is concerned, is practically at an end until she can recuperate, which time may not be until warm weather comes. Very often one cold spell follows another so closely that their combs will not have a chance to heal before being frosted again, and when they have been once frozen they chill all the easier next time, and these frost bites one after another all winter weakens the vitality of the fowls rendering them practically worthless as breeders.

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—OF—
St. Georges Hundred!

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From 1 to 4 P. M.

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From 1 to 4 P. M.

and at my residence, Crawford street, Middletown, Del., every Saturday, afternoon from 1 P. M., to 4 P. M.

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EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 30, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:

Section 3—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.

JOHN E. DENNY,
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WILLIAM C. MONEY,
Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred

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From 1 to 4 P. M.

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From 1 to 3 P. M.

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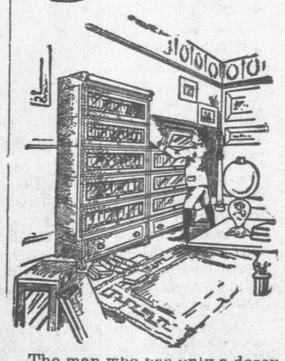

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